

Discharge for society. **10.** The payment of such sum thirty days after the receipt of a notice of death, to any person appearing to be legally entitled thereto, shall completely relieve the society from responsibility.

Members of certain funds may become members. **11.** Notwithstanding any provision or any by-law to the contrary, members admitted to the local sick benefit funds of the Order of Catholic Foresters, in this Province, may, subject to the by-laws of the society, become members of the society, on payment of the contributions, which shall be established by their age when they entered one of the local funds.

By-laws validated. **12.** The present by-laws of the society are validated and shall continue in force in all their clauses not inconsistent with this act, so long as they are not repealed or amended by the convention, provided such by-laws are approved by the Provincial Superintendent of Insurance.

Amalgamation **13.** Any other benefit society, whether incorporated or not, may, with the authorization of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, amalgamate with the corporation created by this act, on the conditions determined by the executive council of the said corporation, and approved by the vote of the majority of the members present at the meeting of the society which may so wish to amalgamate.

Procedure for choice of delegates. **14.** The executive council shall establish the procedure to be followed for the choice of delegates at the first general convention; it shall fix the date and the place at which the convention shall be held, and shall decide by whom and how the costs thereof shall be paid.

Coming into force. **15.** This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.

CHAP. 124

An Act to incorporate *L'Ordre des Chevaliers de Champlain*

[Assented to 9th February, 1918]

Preamble. **W**HEREAS Messrs. Louis Emond, foreman; Emile Trudel, accountant; Ernest Belanger, engineer; Joseph Elz. Alfred Pin, journalist; William Desbiens, foreman; Joseph Gosselin, physician; Elisé Paquet, machinist; Jos. Arthur Godin, machinist; J. Edmond Déry, fore-

man; François Xavier Paquet, clerk; Auguste Grégoire, shoemaker; Edgar Garneau, shoemaker; Joseph Guillaume, inspector; François Xavier Juneau, Joseph Guay and others of the city of Quebec, have, by their petition, represented:

That there exists in the city of Quebec, in this Province, a mutual benefit society called: "*L'Ordre des Chevaliers de Champlain*";

That *L'Ordre des Chevaliers de Bonaparte* has existed since 1909 under an order-in-council; and that, on the 17th October, 1917, by an order-in-council, the name of *Les Chevaliers de Bonaparte* was changed to that of "*Chevaliers de Champlain*";

That the said order now has about five hundred members;

That, the better to attain the end it has in view, and to increase its business, and in the interest of its members, it is necessary that new and additional powers be granted to such order;

Whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said petition;

Therefore His Majesty, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

1. The mutual benefit and provident society created under the name of "*L'Ordre des Chevaliers de Bonaparte*", by an order in council of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Quebec, dated the 7th October, 1909, under the authority of the Revised Statutes, 1909, and the name of which was changed by an order in council dated the 17th of October, 1917, to that of "*Chevaliers de Champlain*", is hereby recognized and confirmed.

Society recognized and confirmed.

2. The said corporation may contract, bind itself, appear before the courts, acquire, possess and alienate moveable and immoveable property by gratuitous title or onerous title *inter vivos* or on account of death, without any restriction except that the annual value of the immoveable property which the said corporation may possess, shall not exceed ten thousand dollars.

Powers.

3. The said corporation may, in the Province of Quebec, form, among all French-speaking Catholics of both sexes, a mutual benefit and provident association for the purpose of assuring, by means of monthly contributions from its members, aid for themselves and for their heirs in case of death or accident.

May form mutual benefit association.

Funds that may be established.

4. On conditions determined by its by-laws, the said corporation may establish:

a. A provident fund, for the payment of sick or accident benefits;

b. A death benefit fund, to allow of its paying a benefit at the death of a member whose assessments shall be payable during his whole lifetime.

Place of business.

5. The place of business of the said order is fixed in Quebec.

How order shall be governed.

6. The order shall be governed:

a. By a biennial convention;

b. By a supreme council of fifteen members.

Functions of biennial council.

7. The biennial council shall enact the by-laws and be the final arbiter in all matters respecting the order.

Do. of supreme council.

8. The supreme council shall manage the general affairs of the order and take cognizance of the administration of the guards, the whole in accordance with the by-laws.

Composition of biennial council.

9. The biennial convention shall consist:

a. Of the supreme council;

b. Of former heads of the supreme council, who have not ceased to be members of the order;

c. Of a delegate of guards for fifty members or fraction over fifty;

d. Of a delegate elected for each degree of the order or of all the members of such degree; but such delegate shall be summoned only on a decision of the supreme council, and in case of urgency.

Moneys unseizable.

10. The moneys paid to heirs or legal representatives of a deceased member shall not be liable to seizure except for debts for contributions due to the order itself.

Who may be appointed beneficiary.

11. A member may appoint as beneficiary, in case of death, the following persons: father or mother, husband or wife, fiancé or fiancée, brother or sister, child, adopted child, relative, relative by adoption, or other person depending for his support on the member to whom the certificate is delivered, or a charitable institution. If the member names a beneficiary other than the persons hereinabove mentioned, the supreme council shall be the judge, and may accept or refuse such beneficiary; and if none of the relatives or other persons abovementioned remain, any

other person may be designated as beneficiary with the consent of the supreme council.

12. If no beneficiary has been named or if the beneficiary has died before the member, the benefit shall be paid as follows: to the consort, if alive, or to the member's child, or grandchild, or to his legal representatives or heirs.

Failing beneficiary to whom payment to be made.

13. The order may appoint guards in the parishes of the various counties of the Province of Quebec, and also collection offices which shall be managed and governed in accordance with the by-laws passed or to be passed to that effect.

Appointment of guards, &c.

14. The corporation shall transmit to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, whenever thereunto required by the Provincial Secretary, a detailed statement of its moveable and immoveable property, the names of its officers, and a certified copy of its rules and by-laws.

Statement to Lt.-Gov. in C.

14. This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.

Coming into force.

CHAP. 125

An Act to amend the act 57 Victoria, chapter 81, governing
L'Union St-Joseph et St-Michel

[Assented to 9th February, 1918]

WHEREAS *L'Union St-Joseph et St-Michel*, incorporated under the act 57 Victoria, chapter 81, has, by its petition, represented that it is in the interest of its members and of the proper administration of its affairs that certain amendments be made to the act governing it; and whereas it is expedient to grant its prayer;

Preamble.

Therefore His Majesty, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

1. Section 9 of the act 57 Victoria, chapter 81, is replaced by the following:

57 Vict., c. 81, s. 9, replaced.

“9. The majority of the members present at a general meeting of the corporation shall have power to make and adopt regulations:

Regulations that may be adopted at general meeting.

1. For its good government and its internal economy;